

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 509

By Bryson

A RESOLUTION to honor and applaud Head Coach Brian Rector and the Ravenwood High School football team on capturing the TSSAA Class 5A State Championship.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those successful high school teams that, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to the State of Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors of this State; and

WHEREAS, led by Head Coach Brian Rector, the Ravenwood High School football team achieved an extraordinary level of success during the 2005 season, establishing an impressive record of fourteen wins against only one loss and winning the BlueCross Bowl Class 5A State Championship Game; and

WHEREAS, the Raptors rolled through the playoffs by prevailing over the powerhouse teams of Overton (30-8), Franklin (16-14), Brentwood (17-6), and Ridgeway (28-10) in a relentless drive to the state championship game in Murfreesboro; and

WHEREAS, Ravenwood completed its remarkable season by beating Oak Ridge in the BlueCross Bowl by the score of 14-7, thereby capturing the team's first state football championship; and

WHEREAS, this heroic effort was led by the outstanding performances of quarterback T. C. Jennings, a Mr. Football finalist, who rushed for 100 yards on 19 carries, including the game winning touchdown, and running back Dylan Williams, named the BlueCross Bowl Class 5A Offensive Most Valuable Player, who rushed for 170 yards on 29 carries and recorded the game's first score; and

WHEREAS, Ravenwood's explosive offense amassed an incredible 421 points during its 15-game season, an average of 28 points per game; and

WHEREAS, Ravenwood's stingy defense allowed only 162 points to be scored by opponents throughout the season, an average of less than 11 points per game; and

WHEREAS, the phenomenal players who comprise the Ravenwood Raptors are: Adam Marshall, John Wilson, Scott Ford, Michael Becker, Aren Everson, T. C. Jennings, John Lopez, Adam Presley, Paul Cleckner, Andrew Nash, Kit Sawyer, Michael Ayers, Corbin Karl, Dylan Williams, Corey Laidlaw, Zach Keller, Scott Collier, Daniel Becker, Jamie Wilkerson, Austin Baird, John Kho, Jonathon Emkes, Ian Brittain, Sean Mosadeghzad, Tabor Frihart, Nathan Williams, Hunter Ball, Matt Chavez, Thomas Kilcrease, Travis Vicory, Adam Willet, Garrett Snoeyenbos, Travis Hansel, Jesse Johnson, Luke Stansfield, Joe Thompson, Kung Hee Cho, Zach Heaberlin, Matt Jones, Trevor Witherspoon, Cody Duncan, John Antoshak, Nick McSweeney, Quinton Zeller, Rick Wheeler, Ryan Korn, Zach Wheeler, Will Roberts, Isiah Williams, Jonathon Bass, and Alex Egariwewe; and

WHEREAS, the dedication, determination, work ethic, and talent of this group of young men not only made possible a successful and memorable football season, but also surely point toward success in their future endeavors; and

WHEREAS, the estimable coaches of Ravenwood's exceptional football team were Head Coach Brian Rector and assistant coaches Mike Woodward, Tom Shuman, Jason Reinbold, Chad Kirby, Pat Boyd, Parker Altman, and Mark Quarles; others contributing to this fantastic season were manager, Andrew Connor, and trainer, Josh Ezell; and

WHEREAS, displaying great sportsmanship and outstanding spirit, the Ravenwood High School Raptors, whose motto is *Courage, Commitment, and Character*, have conducted themselves in a manner appropriate to the integrity of the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee takes great pride in the tremendous accomplishments of those student athletes who have excelled both on the field and in the classroom; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Head Coach Brian Rector and the 2005

Ravenwood High School football team on capturing the 2005 TSSAA Class 5A State Football Title.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that appropriate copies of this resolution be prepared for presentation to the school and each person named above, with this final clause omitted from such copies.